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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk / Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Verified Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for Approval of Annual

Rate Adjustment Mechanisms and Petition for Accounting Order to Defer

Expenses - Docket No. 2018-358-WS

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Blue Granite Water Company (the "Company"), formerly Carolina Water Service, Inc., is a Petition for Declaratory Order and Request for Expedited Consideration. The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the petition, and the Company has been authorized to represent that ORS does not oppose the relief requested therein.

The Company requests expedited consideration of this request as the Commission's position on this issue has a direct impact on the posture of the instant proceeding and the Company's ability to timely file its anticipated general rate case. In light of that dynamic, the Company acknowledges that a limited extension of the testimony filing deadlines in this matter may be necessary.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

Yours truly.

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